



**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.312  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP 2626  
Docket No.: 1359.1063**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of:

Nobuyuki WASHIO

Serial No. 10/082,146

Group Art Unit: 2626

Confirmation No. 3420

Filed: February 26, 2002.

Examiner: VO, HUYEN X

For: SOUND SIGNAL RECOGNITION SYSTEM AND SOUND SIGNAL RECOGNITION METHOD, AND DIALOG CONTROL SYSTEM AND DIALOG CONTROL METHOD USING SOUND SIGNAL RECOGNITION SYSTEM (AS AMENDED)

**AMENDMENT AFTER NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE**

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Attention: MAIL STOP IF

Sir:

This is in response to the Notice of Allowance mailed March 23, 2006, setting a three-month period for payment of the Issue Fee and Publication Fee, which is set to expire June 23, 2006.

Cancellation of claims 6, 9 and 17 is respectfully requested. The following remarks are respectfully submitted.